SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the portion of page 6 encompassing lines 1-15 thereof to change "1302" to - - 1402 - - as follows:

the photointerrupter 1407 is shielded from light. The original 1402 is further conveyed into the interior of the ADF 1202 along the circumference of an original roller 1409 while being nipped between a first conveying roller 1408 and the original roller 1409 and between a supporting unit 1410 and the original roller 1409, and the reading of the image of the original 1302 1402 is started at the timing whereat the original 1402 arrives at Mylar 1411. This timing is judged in a predetermined time after the leading edge detection sensor 1406 has detected the leading edge of the original, or if a stepping motor is used as the motor, by predetermined pulses having elapsed after the leading edge sensor 1406 has detected the leading edge of the original.

Please amend the paragraph commencing with "Fig. 5" on page 9 of the Specification by changing "gradation" to read - - resolution - - as follows:

Fig. 5 is a timing chart of a gradation resolution priority mode for illustrating the first embodiment.